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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES

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SUBJECT: Contractor Responsibility

An interim rule was published April 3, 2001, in the Federal Register (66 FR 17754), staying the final rule under FAR Case 1999-010, Contractor Responsibility, Labor Relations Costs, and Costs Relating to Legal and Other Proceedings, which became effective on January 19, 2001.

For those solicitations issued that incorporated the certification provision from the final rule (published in the Federal Register on December 20, 2000), the contracting officers must amend the solicitation(s) to delete that certification and insert the certification provision of the interim rule. Specifically, the offeror no longer has to certify with regard to compliance with tax, labor and employment, environmental, antitrust, or consumer protection laws.

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